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Red Flag Warning in Effect Today for portions of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

Springerville, AZ—May 5, 2016—The National Weather Service has issued a **RED FLAG WARNING** for today for northern Greenlee County, Arizona which includes portions of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests due to strong winds and low relative humidity. This Red Flag Warning is in effect today from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. MST.

On a **RED FLAG DAY**, the following restrictions go into effect <u>during the advisory hours:</u>

- Smoking only within enclosed vehicles and buildings.
- Campfires and charcoal fires are not allowed even in developed campgrounds.
- Other activities that could cause a spark should be avoided including welding, chainsaw use and explosives use.

Visitors to the forests should use extreme caution. For detailed weather information including warnings issued by the National Weather Service, visit www.wrh.noaa.gov/fgz/.

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